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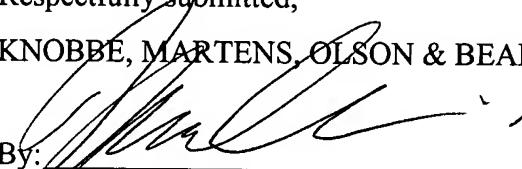
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	15	Co-Pending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/094748, filed on March 8, 2002. Title: Snowmobile. Inventors: Takashi Ashida et al.
	16	Co-Pending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/327,582, filed on December 20, 2003. Title: Snowmobile Exhaust System. Inventors: Takuji Nakano et al.

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